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**Statement from Governor Jan Brewer**  
*Arizona's 2012 Presidential Primary*

"Today I signed a proclamation establishing February 28 as the date of Arizona's 2012 Presidential Preference Election. It has always been a priority of mine to ensure that Arizona and its voters play an influential role in the nomination process, and that Southwestern issues are addressed by the candidates in a meaningful fashion. I am confident both goals will be realized, given this primary date and the RNC's preliminary selection of Arizona for a GOP presidential debate.

"Arizona will be a player in determining our nation's next president. Over the next 14 months, the candidates would be wise to meet with our voters and become familiar with our issues. Many of these issues – whether illegal immigration, the housing crisis or Medicaid reform – have national implications.

"Arizona voters will be hearing from the presidential candidates in the months ahead. Now, it is the obligation of voters to make certain that they are educated on the issues when it comes time to make their voices heard."

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